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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form  
(Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing.)
2. ☒ Specification Total Pages 34
- Descriptive title of the invention
  - Cross References to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to Microfiche Appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
- ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) Total Sheets 13
- ☒ Oath or Declaration Total Pages 2
- a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
- b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. 1.63(d)) (for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed) (Note Box 5 below)
- i. ☐ Deletion of Inventor(s)  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 C.F.R. 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
- ☒ Incorporation By Reference (useable if Box 4b is checked). The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

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6. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)
7. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
- a. ☐ Computer readable copy
- b. ☐ Paper copy (identical to computer copy)
- c. ☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies
8. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documents)
9. ☐ 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney
10. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
11. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
12. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
13. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(Should be specifically itemized)
14. ☐ Small Entity ☐ Statement filed in prior appln. Status still proper and desired.
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
(If foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☒ Other: Formal Drawings

17. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information

- ☐ Continuation ☒ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No. 09/150,833, filed September 10, 1998, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. application Serial No. 08/902,742, filed July 29, 1997, now abandoned.

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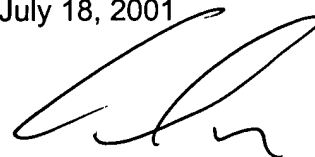
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